

**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<i>In re</i> Application of:	)	
XIAO and GEDRICH	)	Prior Group Art Unit: 1652
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Serial No.: To Be Assigned	)	Prior Examiner: D. Ramirez
	)	
Filed: March 23, 2004	)	Atty. Dkt. No. 002973.00055
For:		REGULATION OF HUMAN TRANSMEMBRANE SERINE PROTEASE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please make the following amendments before examining the application referenced above.